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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: AIR SIAM SERVICE VIA JAPAN

REF: A. STATE 265274

B. BANGKOK 18432

C. BANGKOK 18945

D. TOKYO 15753

1. JAPAN CAB ON DEC 4 RESPONDED TO RTG PROPOSAL FOR URGENT CONSULTATIONS WITH COUNTER-PROPOSAL THAT TALKS BE HELD IN MID-JANUARY. RTG NOW STUDYING NEXT MOVE.

2. AS RESULT FOREGOING, AIR SIAM IS PLANNING TO OPERATE LOS ANGELES-BANGKOK DEC 7 AS SCHEDULED, AND IF FUKUOKA AUTHORITY NOT GRANTED BY U.S. CAB, BANGKOK-LOS ANGELES INAUGURAL DEC 10 IN LIEU OF DEC 9, SUBSTITUTING DC-10 SERVICE FOR 747 SERVICE CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED (REF C). IN RESPONSE TO QUERY FROM AIR SIAM REGARDING FUKUOKA AUTHORITY EMBASSY RELAYED SUBSTANCE OF PARA 1, REF A.

3. COMMENT: WE HAVE IN TALKS WITH AIR SIAM AND MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS STRESSED THAT USG IS SEEKING TO BE HELPFUL IN REGARD FUKUOKA AUTHORITY, BUT THAT SOME DELAY MUST BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ANTICIPATED AS RESULT ELEVENTH HOUR REQUEST THAT, IN EFFECT,

USG RESOLVE ISSUE STEMMING FROM RTG-GOJ CIVAIR RELATIONS.
WE BELIEVE ALL HAVE TAKEN OUR ASSURANCES AT FACE VALUE.
WE HAD, OF COURSE, HOPED THAT USG COULD ACCOMMODATE RTG
AND AIR SIAM RAPIDLY, AND THUS BUILD PLATFORM ON WHICH WE
COULD STAND TO URGE THAT, ON BASIS EQUITY AND RECIPROCITY,
RTG NOW AUTHORIZE RESUMPTION OF PAA 841/842, AT LEAST
PENDING CONCLUSION OF NEXT ROUND OF TALKS. HOWEVER,
TODAY (DEC 6) PAA REP RECEIVED LETTER FROM DIRECTOR GENERAL
OF CIVIL AVIATION STATING RTG NOT RPT NOT ABLE AUTHORIZE
OPERATIONS OF 841/842 EFFECTIVE DEC 18 AS REQUESTED (REF B).
NONETHELESS, SHOULD IT PROVE POSSIBLE TO ASSIST THAIS SOON
IN REGARD FUKUOKA AUTHORITY, PERHAPS PEGGED TO CONCLUSION
OF NEXT ROUND OF TALKS, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL,
AND HOPEFULLY PROVE FRUITFUL, TO MAKE FORMAL DEMARCHE TO
FOREIGN MINISTRY AND MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS TO ASK
THAT RTG AUTHORIZE FLIGHTS 841/842 EFFECTIVE DEC 15.
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